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Confluence Park Executive Board and Technical Advisory Committee Minutes Wednesday, April 15, 2015 4:00 p.m. 435 N. Main, LaVerkin, Utah

Present:

Board Members:

Bob Sandberg	Washington County – HCP
Darren Cottam	Toquerville City
Kerry Gubler	La Verkin City
Clark Fawcett	Hurricane City

Others:

Ken Hooten	La Verkin City Council
Kathleen Nielson	Grant Writer
Lucy Ormond	Hurricane Trails Committee
Christy Ballard	La Verkin City

I. **Meeting Called to Order:** Kerry Gubler called the meeting to order at 4:11pm.

II. **Approve Minutes:**

Motion was made by Clark Fawcett to approve the March 18, 2015 minutes as written, second by Bob Sandberg. Bob-yes, Kerry-yes, Clark-yes. Darren-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

III. **Business:**

A. Access Points Grant-Kathleen Nielson

Kathleen reported the trails have been completed. Dirt is going to be needed where the signage is going to go, she is hoping La Verkin can help with that.

The “P” indicating parking has been removed from the map and all the signage for the Center Street Trailhead. The gate to the monument has been closed, it is private property but by closing it, it removes any possibility of not parking along the street. That causes another issue; all of the maps advertise the monument is available for people to visit.

Kathleen was told the Sons of the Pioneers were considering moving the monument to a park in La Verkin but no one else had heard that. She also suggested moving the monument into Confluence Park and placing it where the signage is going. There is room there for it.

The other option is to take the star and wording regarding the monument off the new signs.

Mayor Gubler feels the mark should be taken off the new signs until something can be worked out.

La Verkin should be able to get dirt or gravel for the signage, just let him know as soon as possible to get on the schedule.

Darren stated Toquerville could take a turn helping also.

Kathleen replied the SR9 trailhead would need the same thing so if Toquerville could help with that, it would be great.

Bob reported there were two gates, the new one on Center Street and the modified one on SR9. The SR9 gate has not had any issues but a horse has damaged the gate on Center Street. Leon Gubler is modifying it so that won't happen again and there is a solid gate in its place for now.

There has been a lot of feedback on the improvements, mostly people wanting to take their four-wheelers down.

Hurricane Trailhead-Kathleen had actual-size copies of the panels, which will be the same only smaller than the ones at the La Verkin Trailhead, with the exception of the fish panel.

The geology panorama panel will replace the fish panel and is 18 inches high and 60 inches wide.

Kathleen passed around a small copy of the map that will be on a pedestal at the Trailhead. This map will be vertical rather than horizontal because that will be the direction the visitors will be facing.

The panels will be on the wall and the geology and map will be on pedestals facing the Park.

All of the Hurricane Trailhead signage will cost \$9,999.00.

The bid for the building came in higher than expected at \$50,000.

The kit option for the restroom is \$25,000 and would need to be put together.

The kiosk is \$10,000.

Kathleen wondered if combining the two could cut costs.

Clark mentioned there is still one more bid out and once that comes back in, they will decide what to do.

Kathleen said she already has offers on the pad work and reminded everyone to keep track of their man hours spent on the project for the grant match.

The bid from County for the work they have done totaled \$20,000. It does not include the fence and gates.

More man-hours are needed. Kathleen would like to keep track of them as the project moves along.

Clark mentioned they will have a lot of man-hours once the Hurricane Trailhead construction starts.

B. Water acquisition-Bob Sandberg

Bob met with the Water Conservancy District. There are a couple different options; one is to purchase the water. The other is to lease the water from the Conservancy District. La Verkin would need to be okay with providing the water and the District would make sure La Verkin had all the water they needed. The idea behind this option is that the money appropriated for purchasing the water could be used for purchasing and installing the pipeline. No decisions were made at the meeting.

If the water is leased the Board would need to decide what would be the best way to bring the water in, either from Shady Acres & Riverwood or off Center Street. It was also suggested looping it to make La Verkin's system stronger, give more pressure, and not have any net loss if Confluence Park was watering. Kyle Gubler was going to look into that and see if the City had any funding to put the pipeline in.

Mayor Gubler questioned how the City would know how much water the Park was using to make sure La Verkin had enough. He did feel looping the system would be best for the City and the Park and that looping from Shady Acres to Center Street wouldn't take much pipe.

Bob mentioned Rob Vigoren is a property owner on the west side of La Verkin Creek. Commissioner Iverson has talked with him and Mr. Vigoren is very interested in working with Confluence in obtaining water for the area.

Mr. Vigoren has purchased La Verkin water shares but his issue is getting service across La Verkin Creek. This issue was brought up at the meeting and Ron Thompson said WCWCD's water is available to service anywhere throughout Washington County so he didn't think it would be an issue to provide Mr. Vigoren with water.

The meeting ended with Ron stating we should be able to figure out a solution.

Bob has not heard back from Virgin River Land Trust concerning the list of questions the County Attorney needed answered about their proposal.

C. Eagle Scout Projects-Bob Sandberg

Bob passed out a list of potential Eagle Scout Projects for Confluence Park.

The Stevens boy has built and installed 13 nest boxes.

The young man doing a kiosk on the Hurricane side has the holes dug, the uprights in place, the steel set and cemented in, and is working on the billboard and roof line now. The billboard is mostly information on the tortoise but there is some information on the Park, along with a map.

Lucy would like to add metal sign in boxes to the list.

Ken Hooten suggested getting in touch with Charlie Twiss, he could get the list out to the Ward Coordinators.

Darren stated Toquerville reimburses any Eagle Scout \$250 for their completed project. Perhaps they could extend that to Confluence Park projects.

There was a discussion on whether different projects would qualify as Eagle Projects or service projects.

IV. Public Concerns for Board Consideration:

No comments were made.

V. Board members concerns:

Kathleen wondered if anyone had talked to Lane Blackmore about the property exchange.

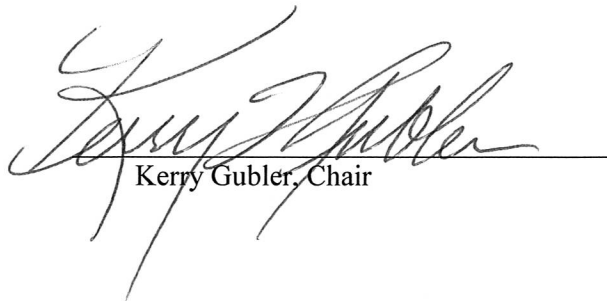
Bob replied he has not heard from DWR yet.

VI. Adjourn:

Motion was made by Bob Sandberg to adjourn, second by Clark Fawcett. Bob-yes, Kerry-yes, Clark-yes. Darren-yes. Motion carried at 4:55pm.

Minutes taken by Christy Ballard.

May 20, 2015
Date Approved


Kerry Gubler, Chair